from the dams and whether any such study has been made in respect of the dams in other States of the country also?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (c) Studies conducted by the Indian Meteorological Department in Orissa, conclude that there is no possibility of triggering of tremors on account of construction of dams which can cause any significant damages to the dams and appurtenant works. Besides, as per I.M.D. the data on droughts and floods in the region near Hirakud Dam does not reveal any evidence to suggest that the climatic aberrations have occurred due to creation of reservoir. The safety of dams is taken care of at the design stage as well as during construction by adopting appropriate design parameters. Moreover, inspections are carried out by the dam safety organisations in various States to take care of any distress caused to the dams on account of reservoir filling or otherwise.

Export target for 1989-90

3534. DR. NARREDDY THULASI-REDDY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the export target for 1989-90; and

(b) what steps have been taken by the Central Government to prevent inter-Ministerial wranglings and resultant inordinate delay which are hampering export efforts?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) The export target etc. for 1989-90 has not yet been fixed.

(b) The Government has set up high-level bodies such as Cabinet Committee on Exports and Empowered Committee of Secretaries on Export to take decisions on Inter-Ministerial issues relating to export promotion.

Decentralisation of DGS&D's purchasing system

3535. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to decentralise the purchasing system of Directorate General of Supplies and Disposals;

(b) what is the total amount of DGS&D's orders from the entire small scale sector in the country during the last three years; and

(c) what is the share of Andhra Pradesh out of it?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) No. Sir.

(b) The total value of purchases made by the DGS&D from the small scale sector in the country during the last three years is given below:—

Year	Value (in crores of Rs.)
1985-86	280.96
1986-87	284.49
1987-88	368.34

The share of small scale units of Andhra Pradesh in the above purchases is as under:

Year	Value (in lakhs of Rs.)
1985-86	275.38
1986-87	297.83
1987-88	319.16

Sharing of Ganga water with Bangladesh

3536. SHRI CHITTA BASU: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1572 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 22nd November, 1988 and state :

(a) whether the Task Force has since started its work;

(b) if so, the progress of its work;

(c) by when the report is expected;

(d) whether the agreement of 1985 on the sharing of the Ganga water will be further extended pending the recommendations of the Task Force; and

(e) if not, the subsequent steps proposed to be taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (c) The Task Force in its three meetings held so far, identified areas of cooperation on short term and long term measures. The report is to be finalised in the next meeting on dates mutually convenient to India and Bangladesh.

(d) and (e) The sharing arrangement of Ganga Waters (1985) has not been extended and a new one is to be arrived after completing the negotiations.

व्यापारिक घरानों को प्रदान की गई सुविधाओं का दुरुपयोग

3537. सरदार जगजीत सिंह अरोड़ा :
श्री राम जेठमलानी :

क्या वाणिज्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि भारत-रूस चैम्बर आफ कामर्स तथा इंडस्ट्री द्वारा हाल ही में करवाये गये सर्वेक्षण से यह पता चला है कि देश में मुक्त व्यापार क्षेत्रों में दी जाने वाली सुविधाओं का व्यापारियों द्वारा दुरुपयोग किया जा रहा है;

(ख) क्या सरकार को इस संबंध में कोई सूचना प्राप्त हुई है; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो उनका ब्यौरा क्या है और भविष्य में सुविधाओं का इस प्रकार दुरुपयोग करने की प्रवृत्ति को रोकने तथा दोषी पाये गए व्यापारिक घरानों के विरुद्ध सरकार द्वारा क्या कार्यवाही की गई है ?

वाणिज्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी० आर० दास मुंशी) : (क) भारत सोवियत संघ वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंडल ने देश में मुक्त व्यापार जोनों के विकास का अध्ययन किया । उसने रिपोर्ट में बताया है कि उसे ऐसी सूचना मिली है कि मुक्त व्यापार जोनों में स्थित कुछ एकक जोन की सुविधाओं का दुरुपयोग कर रहे हैं ।

(ख) और (ग) आवेदक द्वारा अपने प्रस्तावित उत्पादन क्रियाकलापों के बारे में जो ब्यौरा दिया जाता है, उसे देखते हुये सरकार द्वारा प्रत्येक मामले में अनुमोदन-पत्र विभिन्न शर्तें निर्दिष्ट की जाती हैं । यदि अनुमोदन-पत्र के संदर्भ में किसी एकक द्वारा शर्तों के उल्लंघन का कोई मामला ध्यान में आता है तो ऐसी स्थिति में जहां कहीं आवश्यक समझा जाय, आवश्यक कार्रवाई की जाती है ।

Trade between India and Canada

3538. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made any efforts in the recent past to boost trade activities with Canada; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) and (b) Government have initiated various measures and identified areas for expanding Indo-Canadian Trade. During the Indo-Canadian Joint Business Council Meeting held in Montreal in September, 1988, the focus of the discussions were largely on the following aspects:—

(i) Exploring possibilities of enhancing bilateral trade with specific emphasis on identifying specific items;

(ii) Identifying opportunities for technology transfer and industrial co-operation; and

(iii) Identifying sourcing possibilities for exports of commodities to Canada and vice-versa.